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For : VIDEO GAME THAT DISPLAYS PLAYER CHARACTERS OF MULTIPLE PLAYERS IN THE SAME SCREEN

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicant calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002-0098890 to SAKAGUCHI et al., which was published on July 25, 2002; and

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003-0096648 to OHNO et al., which was published on May 22, 2003.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

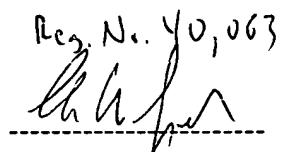
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. The above-noted documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the

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Should the Examiner have any further questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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